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REMARKS / DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

Claims 4, 6, 12-14, 16-17, and 19-30 are pending in the application.

The applicant thanks the Examiner for acknowledging the claim for priority and receipt of certified copies of all the priority document(s).

The Examiner is respectfully requested to state whether the drawings are acceptable.

The Office action rejects claims 21-30 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Blonder (EP0549890) and JP 11084116 (hereinafter JP116). The applicant respectfully traverses this rejection..

Claim 21, upon which claims 22-25 depend, specifically claims a light reflector having n first projected portions or recessed portions projecting from or recessive to a reflective plane at positions corresponding respectively to vertexes of an equilateral polygon projected on the reflective plane having n sides, n being an odd number which is equal to or greater than 3.

Claim 26, upon which claims 27-30 depend, specifically claims a liquid crystal display device comprising pixel electrodes on a plane surface and a light reflector having a plurality of n first projected portions or recessed portions at positions corresponding respectively to vertexes of an equilateral polygon on the plane surface having n sides, n being an odd number which is equal to or greater than 3.

The Office action acknowledges that Blonder does not teach projections or recessions that are arranged corresponding to vertexes of an equilateral polygon, and relies upon JP116 for this teaching. The applicant respectfully notes, however, that JP116 teaches triangular ridges that form triangles that are perpendicular to the plane of reflection upon which pixels are arranged. With regard to claim 21, the projection of the vertexes of the triangles of JP116 will form lines on the reflective plane, and not equilateral polygons, as specifically claimed. With regard to claim 26, the vertexes of the triangles of JP116 do not lie on the pixel plane.


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Because neither Blonder nor JP116, individually or collectively, teach or suggest projected or recessed portions that are arranged at vertexes of an equilateral polygon having n odd sides that lies on a plane of the reflective or display surface, as specifically claimed in claims 21 and 26, the applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's reconsideration of the rejection of claims 21-30 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Blonder and JP116.

In view of the foregoing, the applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the objection(s) and/or rejection(s) of record, allow all the pending claims, and find the application in condition for allowance. If any points remain in issue that may best be resolved through a personal or telephonic interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,


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